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OLD MAN LOGAN™

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After surviving a future known as the Wastelands where everything good in the world was destroyed, Old Man Logan awoke in the present, determined to prevent the death of his wife and children. Even after accepting that the past he remembers is not real, he is still haunted by his lost family.

When Logan avenged his family in the Wastelands, he did so by killing all crazed descendants of Bruce Banner...except for a young baby, who Logan took in as his own.

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RETURN TO THE WASTELANDS: PART I

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MY NAME IS LOGAN, AND I CAME FROM A *BAD PLACE.*

A FUTURE WHERE EVERYONE I LOVED WAS LONG DEAD. A FUTURE WHERE THE BAD GUYS WON.

THIS PLACE WAS CALLED *THE WASTELANDS.*

THEN *I WAS SAVED.* I GOT A *SECOND CHANCE.* I GOT TO GO BACK. BACK *BEFORE* ALL THE BAD STUFF HAPPENED.

→GASP!←

I GOT TO BE BACK WITH ALL THE FRIENDS I HAD LOST.

I GOT TO BE A *HERO* AGAIN.

AND THE WASTELANDS HAD *JUST* STARTED TO FEEL LIKE A BAD DREAM.

BUT NOW...

OH #@$%.

GRAAARRR!

NOW I'M BACK.

MAYBE I NEVER LEFT? MAYBE EVERYTHING ELSE, GOING BACK, BEING WITH THE X-MEN AGAIN, MAYBE *THAT* WAS THE DREAM?

SNIKT

ONE THING'S FOR SURE. IF I DON'T GET MYSELF OUT OF THIS, NONE OF THAT WILL MATTER A LICK.

GRARR!!!

--UNGH!

THIS DON'T MAKE SENSE. THIS *CAN'T* BE RIGHT.

NEED TO GET MY BEARINGS HERE. NEED TO *THINK.*

THINK. *THINK,* OLD MAN.

WHAT'S THE LAST THING I REMEMBER?

PUCK? A PUCK? HOCKEY?

NO. *PUCK,* NOT *A* PUCK. PUCK FROM *ALPHA FLIGHT.*

PUCK CALLED ME. HE NEEDED HELP.

I WAS... I WAS *IN SPACE.*

KZZT--
BAD, LOGAN--
KZZT--PHA FLIGHT
COMMUNICATION
MESSED UP--

PUCK AND ALPHA FLIGHT HAD LEFT CANADA FOR SPACE. WORKING WITH CAROL DANVERS.

KZZT--NEED
HELP. DIDN'T--ZZT--
ELSE TO CALL. COME
ALONE, LOGAN--ZZZKKT--
IMPORTANT YOU
COME ALONE!

X-HAVEN RECEIVED THIS DISTRESS CALL FROM HIM TWO DAYS AGO. ANY ATTEMPTS TO REACH ALPHA FLIGHT STATION HAD FAILED.

S.H.I.E.L.D. WANTED TO SEND A WHOLE TEAM UP THERE, BUT PUCK ASKED *FOR ME.*

SO THAT'S WHAT I REMEMBER. TAKING THE X-SHUTTLE UP. THEY GAVE ME TWENTY-FOUR HOURS TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THE HELL WAS GOING ON BEFORE THEY SENT ANYONE ELSE UP THERE.

THIS PLACE USED TO BE ONE OF *REED RICHARD'S* ABANDONED PET PROJECTS.

NOW IT WAS JUST A *HUNK OF JUNK* FLOATING IN ORBIT.

FOUND AN ALPHA FLIGHT CRUISER, BUT NO SIGN OF PUCK.

NO SIGN OF *ANYONE.*

-SNFF-

-SNFF-

SNIKT

SKREEEEEE!!!
CLK

THE BROOD? WHY DO I REMEMBER THE BROOD? DID THAT REALLY HAPPEN?

ALL I KNOW IS THAT I'M HERE NOW. AS SURE AS ANYTHING, THIS *IS REAL.*

LAS VEGAS. THIS IS THE LAST PLACE I REALLY REMEMBER BEFORE-- BEFORE I *LEFT* THE WASTELANDS. BEFORE I WENT BACK.

KING

PLACE WAS OVERRUN BY DOOM?

I CAME HERE WITH THE BABY... BANNER'S GRANDKID. I LEFT HIM WITH DANNY CAGE. SHE WAS THE ONLY PERSON I COULD TRUST.

LA

THIS WAS HER PLACE. DANNY'S.

AND I KNOW SOMETHING AIN'T RIGHT BEFORE I EVEN GO INSIDE.

DANNY?

DANNY! DANIELLE!

I--I CAN BARELY BRING MYSELF TO LOOK INSIDE.

PLEASE BE OKAY... *PLEASE* BE OKAY.

EMPTY. THANK GOD.

-SNFF- -SNFF-

THUD

THUD

SNICKT

--MRRRMPH!

DANNY!

L-LOGAN! IS--IS THAT REALLY YOU?

IT'S ME, DANNY. WHAT THE HELL HAPPENED?! *THE BABY?!*

KANG!

LOGAN... *IT WAS KANG!*

KANG? DID KANG *DO THIS?!* IS-- IS THAT HOW I GOT HERE?

BUT WHAT ABOUT THE SPACE STATION AND PUCK?

WHAT ABOUT THE BROOD?

SKREEEEE!!!

GAH! GET OFFA ME, YOU SLIMY @##$S!

THIS PLACE. I WAS IN THIS PLACE. IT WAS REAL, TOO. I KNOW IT WAS. THE BROOD WERE THERE...

...LOTS OF THEM.

ALPHA FLIGHT WERE STUCK IN COCOONS, OR AT LEAST MOST OF THEM WERE.

NO SIGN OF PUCK OR--

THUMP

--URK!

GRAARRRR!

--SASQUATCH!

SASQUATCH! LANGKOWSKI! IT'S ME! IT'S LOGAN! YOU GOTTA FIGHT THIS!

HSSSSSS!!!

THOOM

BUT I KNEW IT WAS POINTLESS.

THEY WERE ALREADY LONG GONE, *ABIGAIL BRAND*, TOO. INFECTED BY THE BROOD.

AND I *WOULD HAVE BEEN*, TOO...

PUCK?!

GET UP HERE, LOGAN!

HSSSSS!!!

HURRY!

CLANG

SKREEEEEE!!

AM I GLAD TO SEE YOU, BUB.

AM I GLAD TO SEE YOU.

WHAT HAPPENED, DANNY?

I'M SORRY, LOGAN. I TRIED TO KEEP HIM SAFE. THE BABY...BUT THIS WORLD. IT--WELL, THERE IS NO SAFE PLACE, IS THERE?

KANG'S MEN CAME. WIPED OUT THE MASTERS OF EVIL. WIPED OUT BLACK BOLT AND HIS PEOPLE. IT ALL HAPPENED SO FAST. BY THE TIME I REALIZED WHAT WAS GOING ON, THEY WERE HERE.

THEY TOOK HIM, LOGAN. THEY TOOK THE BABY.

I'M SO SORRY. YOU LEFT HIM WITH ME. AND SINCE YOU LEFT, I CAME TO LOVE HIM. LOVE HIM LIKE MY OWN. AND I--I LET YOU DOWN, LOGAN. I LET *HIM* DOWN.

HEY--STOP THAT. YOU SAID IT YOURSELF. THIS PLACE IS HELL. NOTHING YOU COULD DO.

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

I'M GOING TO GET THAT CHILD BACK. I'M GOING AFTER KANG. THAT BABY BOY WAS *MY* RESPONSIBILITY, NOT YOURS. AND I WON'T LET THIS PLACE TAKE ANOTHER CHILD. *NOT AGAIN.*

I'M COMING WITH YOU.

NO. YOU'RE IN NO SHAPE FOR A FIGHT. I'LL BRING HIM BACK. I'LL MAKE THINGS RIGHT.

I SAY THE WORDS, BUT I'M NOT SURE I BELIEVE THEM.

I'M NOT SURE I BELIEVE *ANY OF THIS* ANYMORE.

SUDDENLY I FEEL A CHILL. A DEEP-DOWN CHILL. COLDER THAN I'VE *EVER FELT.*

WHY--WHY AM I SO COLD ALL OF A SUDDEN?

THIS WAY. THEY CAN'T GET IN HERE.

YOU SURE?

YEAH. BEEN HIDING OUT IN HERE SINCE I CALLED YOU. WE'LL BE SAFE IN HERE.

WHAT THE HELL HAPPENED, PUCK?

ALPHA FLIGHT STATION GOT REPORTS OF A CRASH ON THIS OLD SATELLITE. GIVEN EVERYTHING GOING ON DOWN ON EARTH, WE ARE STRETCHED PRETTY THIN UP HERE. SO SASQUATCH, ABIGAIL BRAND AND I CAME TO INVESTIGATE.

YOU CAN GUESS THE REST. THE CRASH WAS A ***BROOD*** VESSEL. THEY WERE ON US BEFORE WE KNEW IT. GOT SASQUATCH RIGHT AWAY. ABIGAIL BRAND AND I HELD OUT, CALLED YOU. BUT THEN THEY GOT HER, TOO.

EEP EEP

WHAT'S THAT?

I DON'T--

COLD.

WHY AM I SO COLD?

SO COLD.

LOGAN!

FWOOSH

SO...

LOGAN!!!

...COLD.

KRRIKT

I--I REMEMBER...
I REMEMBER!

TO BE CONTINUED!

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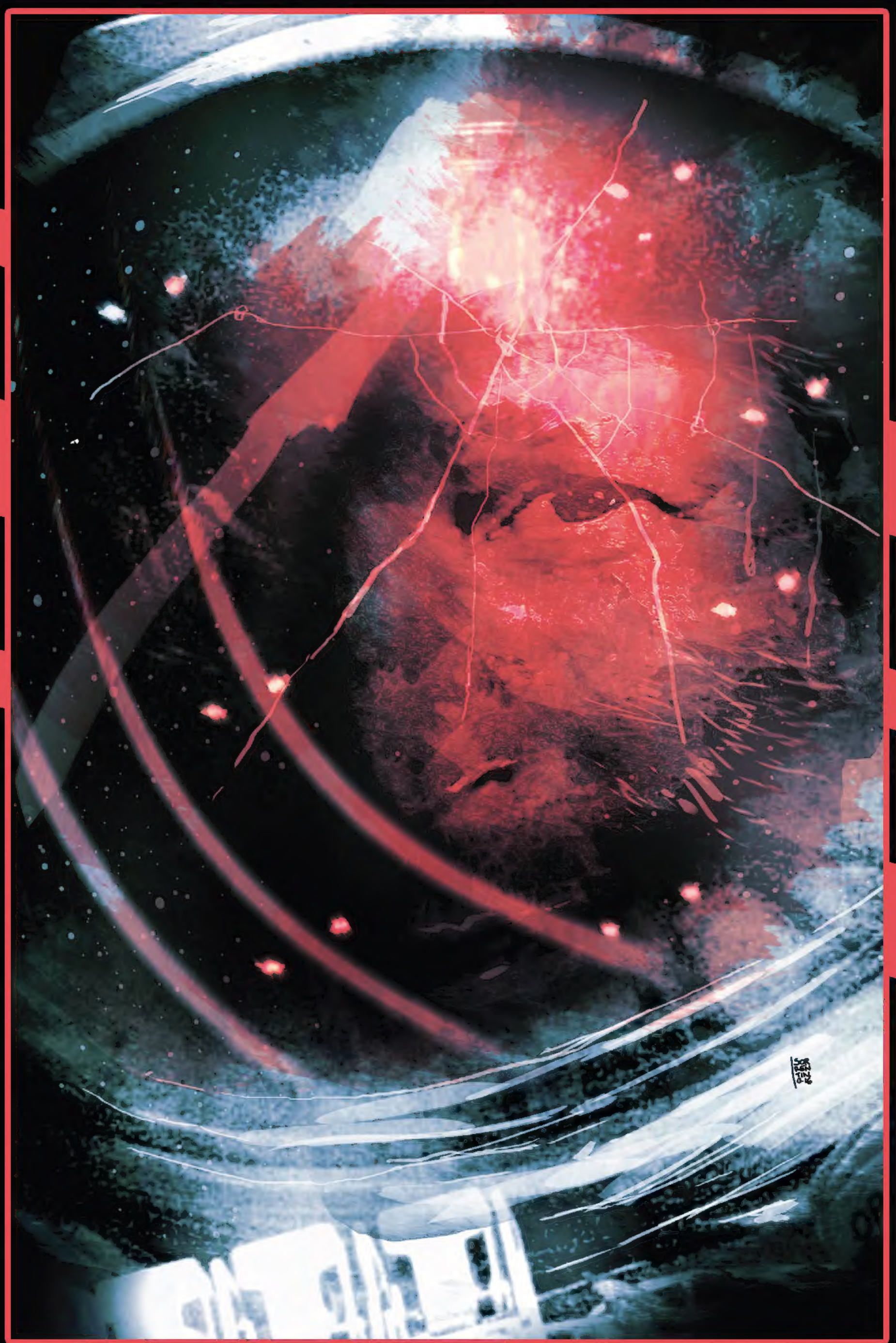

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